

REMARKS

Further to our reply dated May 11, 2001 to the Restriction Requirement of February 9, 2001, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-18 are generic and thereby also elects claims 19-25, with traverse, for prosecution with generic claims 1-18 in the above-identified application.

As mentioned in the previous reply, claim 1 is a generic claim. Also, claims 2-18 are generic claims. Claims 1-18 encompass a projection lens system with a plurality of lenses and at least one diffractive optical element.

As originally elected claims 1-14 and claims 15-18 are generic to the species of four lens systems (original claims 19-25 and new claims 38-40) and five lens systems (claims 26-37), Applicant respectfully also elects claims 19-25 and 38-40 directed to four lens projection systems, along with generic claims 1-18. Hence, claims 1-25 and 38-40 should be examined.

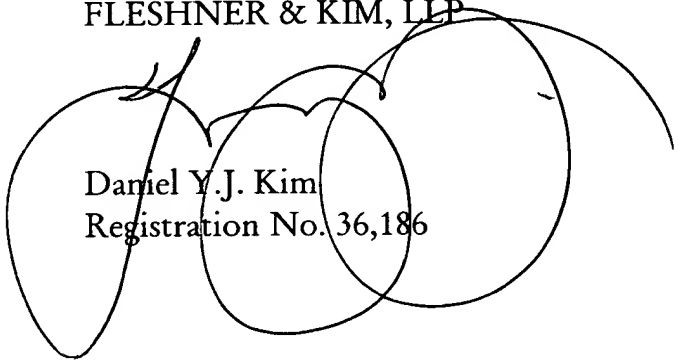
If claims 1-18, which are generic, are found allowable Applicants specifically request the non-elected claims be rejoined for consideration.

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